Repair and maintenance of NHs in Maharashtra

†3138. SHRI BALAVANT/U.MS BAL APTE:
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on the repair and maintenance of National Highways in Maharashtra^uring the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the amount sanctioned on yearly basis for the repair and maintenance of National Highways in Maharashtra is insufficient to achieve this target;

(c) whether Government propose to sanction sufficient amount for better maintenance of National Highways; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) The details of amount spent on the repair and maintenance of National Highways during the last three years in Maharashtra are given below:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Amount	62.33	73.59	70.74

(b) The amount available on yearly basis for repair and maintenance of National Highways in Maharashtra is not sufficient as per specified norms.

(c) and (d) The allocation of available funds for the maintenance and repair of National Highways are made to various States/Union Territories on the basis of the lengths of National Highways entrusted with them, and depending upon other factors such as type of terrain, lane width, traffic density, type and extent of damages and intensity of rainfall, etc.

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